## **Independent Auditors' Report**

To the Board of Directors of Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group, Inc. ("SMFG") and subsidiaries as of March 31, 2006 and 2005, and the related consolidated statements of operations, stockholders' equity and cash flows for the years then ended, expressed in Japanese yen. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of SMFG's management. Our responsibility is to independently express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in Japan. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of SMFG and subsidiaries as of March 31, 2006 and 2005, and the consolidated results of their operations and their cash flows for the years then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in Japan.

Without qualifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 31 to the consolidated financial statements. As discussed in the Note as a subsequent event, on May 17, 2006, SMFG repurchased and retired shares of Type 1 preferred stock and Type 2 preferred stock based on the resolution at the meeting of the Board of Directors held on May 12, 2006.

The consolidated financial statements as of and for the year ended March 31, 2006 have been translated into United States dollars solely for convenience of the readers. We have recomputed the translation, and in our opinion, the consolidated financial statements expressed in Japanese yen have been translated into United States dollars on the basis set forth in Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements.

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Tokyo, Japan June 29, 2006